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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **YOSHIMURA, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2832**

Serial No.: **10/034,121**

Examiner: **Lincoln D. Donovan**

Filed: **January 3, 2002**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 1035

**FOR: PROCESS FOR SURFACE-TREATMENT OF HOLLOW WORK HAVING HOLE
COMMUNICATING WITH OUTSIDE, AND RING-SHAPED BONDED MAGNET
PRODUCED BY THE PROCESS**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -
GROUP ART UNIT 2832

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 7, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **March 17, 2004**, extended to **July 17, 2004** by a 1
month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of
this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.